

This bill is named for Tiffany May Joslyn, a champion for criminal justice reform, who served as my Deputy Chief Counsel of the Crime Subcommittee and whose life tragically was cut short on March 5, 2016, in a car accident that sadly also claimed the life of her brother, Derrick. She was just 33 years old.

So today's passage of H.R. 68 is both bitter and sweet. Tiffany would have been proud, as she championed these causes. This moment is for both her and for all the millions of young people that will be helped by this bill.

The Tiffany Joslyn bill will help stem the epidemic of juveniles within the criminal justice system by reauthorizing the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant program (JABG) and providing funding to state and local governments for the creation of bullying and gang prevention programs.

It will authorize such appropriations as may be necessary, which is anticipated to be at least \$30 million per year.

In addition to reauthorizing juvenile justice programs, the Tiffany Joslyn Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Reauthorization and the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act clarifies how to address the occurrences of bullying through developmentally appropriate intervention and prevention techniques, which center on evidence-based models and best practices that rely on schools and communities rather than involvement from law enforcement and the justice system.

H.R. 68 is designed to help both the victims and perpetrators of bullying. Research studies have shown that approximately 25 percent of school bullies will be convicted of a criminal offense in their adult years.

It also includes provisions for gang prevention programs, which will help guide our children towards socially beneficial paths. If we want our children to learn, we must be able to maintain a safe and healthy school environment. Bullying is a massive issue in our nation's schools.

The National Center for Educational Studies reports show that 14 percent of 12-to 18-year-olds surveyed report being victims of direct or indirect bullying. 1 out of 4 kids is bullied.

Bullying is not just in a schoolyard anymore; it is a crisis that's taking over our nation. Gone are the days that children can come home and seek solace and escape from their bullies; technological advances have made it easy for young people to be tormented on social networks at any time from any place.

They are never out of harm's reach. This needs to end. Americans children should be protected, and no child should be persecuted for exercising their American right to be themselves. It is time for us to come to a conclusive solution to America's bullying crisis.

My bill, H.R. 68, the Tiffany Joslyn Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Reauthorization and the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act, provides the solution that we need.

The work we do as Members to pass these bills cannot be done without the diligence and hard work of our talented and dedicated staff Counsels. This is why I would like to take the time to thank Monalisa Dugue, Deputy Chief Counsel of the Democratic Crime Subcommittee; and her colleagues Danielle Brown, Perry Apelbaum, and Joe Graupensperger of the Democratic staff. And I thank Branden Ritchie, Shelly Husband, Stephanie Gadbois, and Margaret Barr of the Republican staff for their fine work.

Now I urge my colleagues in the Senate to adopt our effort in the House and pass H.R. 68, the Tiffany Joslyn Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Reauthorization and the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act so that we may keep all of our children safe.

This bill honors Tiffany, but more importantly, it advances the cause of justice in America.

CONGRATULATING THE SEATTLE STORM

HON. PRAMILA JAYAPAL

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to proudly congratulate the Seattle Storm, winners of the 2018 WNBA title. To the players and coaches, thank you for the hard work, determination, grit and talent that propelled you to the end and made us all so proud of Seattle. To friends and families of the team, thank you for your support, encouragement and personal sacrifices.

Seattle Storm, your achievement reflects not only the hard work that goes into winning a national championship, but also your resilience and dedication to one another throughout the entirety of the season. Every day, I feel honored to represent women like you whose work shows a tremendous commitment to women's issues, young girls and your community—a testimony of your connection to the City of Seattle. It is no surprise that the majority of Seattle's championships belong to the Storm.

Your team embodies the values that we, in our city, hold so dearly. You are an incredible role model for girls and women everywhere. It is an honor both to serve women like you who take a stand and speak out for issues that are important, but also to be able to call the Storm my home team.

Again, I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to you all, and I look forward to seeing everything that you accomplish in the future.

ALVIN ISD "THE DAY" OF SERVICE

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Superintendent James "Buck" Gilcrease and the Alvin Independent School District's for hosting their "The Day" of Service project, held on September 8, 2018.

"The Day" is a way for the entire student body and staff of Alvin ISD to show their gratitude to the Alvin community. "The Day" is about coming together as a school district and expressing appreciation, but also working to instill a sense of service within the student body.

During Hurricane Harvey, many students gave their time and talent to help folks in need. One year later, to recognize the anniversary of Hurricane Harvey, the student body came together to make the community a better place for the first annual "The Day". This

year, 20,000 students and staff members showed up to engage in a multitude of service projects. These projects included providing gift bags to first responders, washing cars for local police stations, picking up trash in neighborhoods, and holding roadside prayer. This is tremendous community spirit that deserves recognition.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, thank you again to Superintendent Gilcrease, the staff and students at the Alvin Independent School District for their first annual "The Day" of Service. I thank them for their dedication to improving our Alvin community.

TRIBUTE TO THE YWCA

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the incredible work of the YWCA serving my district in New York City and similar branches throughout the country. For over 160 years, YWCA has played a key role in empowering women by helping millions of women, girls, families and their communities all across the country.

In Brooklyn, New York, YWCA has worked to help eliminate racism, violence and poverty. YWCA Brooklyn created 310 units of affordable permanent housing for low-income women and homeless survivors of domestic violence. Taking a holistic approach to eradicating systemic poverty, YWCA's services range from providing English language classes and legal assistance, college access and leadership development and employment readiness. It has also spearheaded a women's business entrepreneurship mentoring program to help women lead startups. YWCA also offers wellness programming to reduce stress and trauma by offering yoga classes, art and music therapy.

In addition, YWCA Brooklyn's Social Justice Community Center provides free event and meeting space, training facilities and offices to over 100 nonprofit and community organizations. In 2017 alone, YWCA Brooklyn partnered with over 100 community groups to offer 845 events drawing over 25,000 attendees.

Mr. Speaker, for decades, YWCA has provided a lifeline for countless women, children and families. It is with great respect and admiration that I salute the YWCA staff and community for their tireless commitment to empowerment and justice for all.

CELEBRATING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF PHOENIX BAKERY

HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 80th anniversary of Phoenix Bakery.

When the bakery was founded in 1938, Chinatown was truly the place where Chinese